

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) Wiper arm (10) for a windshield wiper device for wiping a windshield, the wiper arm comprising at least:
 - one fastening part (12) for fastening the wiper arm (10) to the windshield wiper device,
 - one articulated part (16), which is connected in an articulated manner to the fastening part (12) so as to be moveable in a first plane,
 - one spring element (34), which is arranged between the fastening part (12) and the articulated part (16) and is provided with a tension spring (32) that is stressed during a relative movement between the fastening part (12) and the articulated part (16),
 - one fastening means (30) connecting the tension spring (32) to the fastening part (12), characterized in that
 - the fastening means (30) has a U-shaped bend (36) in a second plane that is perpendicular to the first plane,
further characterized in that the fastening part (12) has a surface facing the windshield and a width parallel to the windshield, the fastening part defining a transverse slot (28) extending from the surface and extending through the entire width of the fastening part (12), and
in that the fastening means (30) has a connecting end opposite the bend (36), the connecting end being received in the transverse slot (28) to connect the fastening means (30) to the fastening part (12).
2. (Previously Presented) Wiper arm (10) according to Claim 1, characterized in that the U-shaped bend (36) has a base (38) and two legs (40) and at least one of the legs (40) features an additional bend (44) on its free end (20) facing away from the base (38).

3. (Previously Presented) Wiper arm (10) according to Claim 2, characterized in that the additional bend (44) engages in a free space (28) arranged in the fastening part (12).
4. (Previously Presented) Wiper arm (10) according to Claim 1, characterized in that an articulation (14) is provided for connecting the fastening part (12) to the articulated part (16) in an articulated manner, which articulation has a joint bolt (24) that has a recess (46) in the area of the fastening means (30).
5. (Original) Wiper arm (10) according to Claim 4, characterized in that the recess (46) is embodied radially circumferentially.
6. (Previously Presented) Wiper arm (10) according to Claim 1, characterized in that the fastening means (30) is embodied as a round wire.
7. (Previously Presented) Wiper arm (10) according to Claim 2, characterized in that an articulation (14) is provided for connecting the fastening part (12) to the articulated part (16) in an articulated manner, which articulation has a joint bolt (24) that has a recess (46) in the area of the fastening means (30).
8. (Previously Presented) Wiper arm (10) according to Claim 3, characterized in that an articulation (14) is provided for connecting the fastening part (12) to the articulated part (16) in an articulated manner, which articulation has a joint bolt (24) that has a recess (46) in the area of the fastening means (30).
9. (Previously Presented) Wiper arm (10) according to Claim 2, characterized in that the fastening means (30) is embodied as a round wire.
10. (Previously Presented) Wiper arm (10) according to Claim 3, characterized in that the fastening means (30) is embodied as a round wire.

11. (Previously Presented) Wiper arm (10) according to Claim 4, characterized in that the fastening means (30) is embodied as a round wire.
12. (Previously Presented) Wiper arm (10) according to Claim 5, characterized in that the fastening means (30) is embodied as a round wire.
13. (Previously Presented) Wiper arm (10) according to Claim 8, characterized in that the recess (46) is embodied radially circumferentially.
14. (Previously Presented) Wiper arm (10) according to Claim 13, characterized in that the fastening means (30) is embodied as a round wire.
15. (New) Wiper arm (10) according to Claim 1, characterized in that the fastening part (12) has one end defining an articulation axis for the articulating part (16) and an opposite end, and in that the transverse slot (28) has an opening on the surface, the opening being on the surface between the articulation axis and the opposite end, the transverse slot (28) being inclined from the opening toward the articulation axis.
16. (New) Wiper arm (10) according to Claim 15, characterized in that the fastening means (30) has an intermediate part between the bend (38) and the connecting end, the connecting end including a rod portion having rod ends extending outwardly from the intermediate part, the rod portion being received in the transverse slot (28) through the opening to connect the fastening means (30) to the fastening part (12).
17. (New) Wiper arm (10) according to Claim 16, characterized in that, when connected to the fastening part (12), the rod portion extends parallel to the articulation axis.
18. (New) Wiper arm (10) according to Claim 16, characterized in that the fastening part (12) has a length along the windshield, the fastening part (12) defining a longitudinal opening in communication with the transverse slot (28), the intermediate part of the fastening means (30) being receivable in the longitudinal slot.

19. (New) Wiper arm (10) according to Claim 5, characterized in that the recess (46) extends fully circumferentially around the joint bolt (24).

20. (New) Wiper arm (10) for a windshield wiper device for wiping a windshield, the wiper arm comprising:

- a fastening part (12) for fastening the wiper arm (10) to the windshield wiper device,
- an articulated part (16), which is connected in an articulated manner to the fastening part (12) so as to be moveable about an articulation axis in a first plane,
- a spring element (34), which is arranged between the fastening part (12) and the articulated part (16) and is provided with a tension spring (32) that is stressed during a relative movement between the fastening part (12) and the articulated part (16),
- fastening means (30) connecting the tension spring (32) to the fastening part (12), characterized in that

the fastening means (30) has one end connected to the spring (32), an intermediate part, an opposite end connected to the fastening part (12), the opposite end including a rod portion having rod ends extending outwardly from the intermediate part, and

in that the fastening part (12) has one end defining an articulation axis for the articulating part (16) and an opposite end, the fastening part (12) also having a surface facing the windshield and a width parallel to the windshield, the fastening part defining a transverse slot (28) extending from an opening on the surface and extending through the entire width of the fastening part (12), the opening being on the surface between the articulation axis and the opposite end, the transverse slot (28) being inclined from the opening toward the articulation axis, the rod portion being received in the transverse slot (28) through the opening to connect the fastening means (30) to the fastening part (12), the rod portion extending parallel to the articulation axis.